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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Nurith Shaklai and Matityahu Shaklai
Application Serial No. 10/716,625
Filed: November 20, 2003
For: METHOD FOR EXTENDED STORAGE OF VIABLE
AND PATHOGEN-SAFE BLOOD AND BLOOD
COMPONENTS USING CARBON MONOXIDE
Group Art Unit: 1651
Examiner: Sandra E. Saucie

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Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-2140.